

1 to get out some of this dead wood in the constitution, the  
2 dead wood that we came here to get out. I say that  
3 eighteen years old is one that will get out the dead  
4 wood.

5 I am very proud that this Committee on  
6 suffrage and elections voted to lower the voting age, but  
7 I do not think that lowering it to nineteen suits our  
8 purpose and suits what we are meant to do here.

9 The principle involved here is one of  
10 responsibility. The age when someone becomes responsible  
11 to his government and someone becomes responsible to  
12 himself is involved here, and I submit that that age is  
13 eighteen, not nineteen.

14 It is the age of eighteen, not nineteen, when a  
15 man is required to register for the draft. It is the  
16 age eighteen, not nineteen, when a person is considered  
17 old enough to work without the consent of his parents.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Hutchinson, I regret  
19 to inform you that through misadventure your words are  
20 not being recorded. We will stop a moment.

21 Delegate Gallagher.